

TOWN OF ELLINGTON
WATER POLLUTION CONROL AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING

August 18, 2009

Members Present: Daniel Parisi (Chairman), Shawn Koehler, and Tim Kiessling (arr. 8:00 p.m.)

Members Absent: Joe Stimac and Edward Duell

Others Present: Town Engineer, Jim Thompson of Buck & Buck and Peter Williams, WPCA Administrator and Attorney Joe Ryan.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Daniel Parisi called the meeting to order at 7:17 p.m.

II. CITIZENS FORUM / PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE

III. PUBLIC HEARING

1. Public Hearing-Set Sewer User Rates

There was no one present at 7 or 8 p.m. for the Public Hearing.

MOTION (KOEHLER) SECONDED (KIESSLING) TO OPEN AND CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED USER FEES AT 8:02 AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION (KOEHLER) SECONDED (KIESSLING) TO SET RATES AS NOTICED AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. (See notice attached)

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Additional Administrative Expenses.

MOTION (KOEHLER) SECONDED (KIESSLING) TO COMPENSATE ANN MARIE CONTI FOR DOING AN EXCEPTIONAL JOB BY AWARDING HER A PAYMENT OF \$3,000 DOLLARS FOR HER TIME AND EFFORT DURING THE 2 YEARS IT HAS TAKEN TO PERFORM THE WPCA ADMINISTRATIVE TRANSITION AND CONTINUE WITH AN ADDITIONAL BENEFIT OF \$2,000 DOLLARS PER YEAR FOR ONGOING SERVICE TO THE WPCA, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2009 AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. Facilities Plan-GIS Mapping: Jim Thompson will need two to three days worth of work to update the information on the GIS maps. This will be done by the next meeting.

3. Crystal Lake Sewer Area Update: No word from the State on the sewer service area.

V. NEW BUSINESS:

1. CIP Project 2008- 4 Sandy Beach & Stafford Rd Extension: Peter Williams and Jim Thomson will be reviewing the project to see if funding by the State is possible. The road crossing has been completed. The next step is approval by the Authority for a survey and design.

MOTION (KOEHLER) SECONDED (KIESSLING) TO APPROVE THE TOWN ENGINEER TO PROCEED WITH DESIGN AND SURVEING FOR CIP PROJECT 2008-4 WITH A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000 AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

2. 4 Manning Avenue-Benefit Assessment: The new owners of 4 Manning have requested the WPCA to deferring balance of the sewer until transferred again due to the unique circumstances when the property was constructed.

MOTION (KOEHLER) SECONDED (KIESSLING) TO DEFER THE BALANCE OF THE BENEFIT ASSESSMENT UNTIL THE PROPERTY IS TRANSFERRED AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOTION (KOEHLER) SECONDED (KIESSLING) TO ADD 26 PINNEY STREET APARTMENTS TO THE AGENDA AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. 26 Pinney Street Apartments: Jim Thompson will review the plans that were giving to him by Gardner Chapman.

MOTION (KIESSLING) SECONDED (KOEHLER) TO APPROVE THE START OF CONSTRUCTION OF THE SEWER EXTENTION FOR 26 PINNEY STREET AFTER RECEIPT OF THE BOND IN THE AMOUNT AS SET BY THE TOWN ENGINEER AFTER REVIEWING THE PLANS AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE:

1. Design, Construction, & Maintenance Reports:

i. Project 2008-2 Rt 83 Sewer Line Reversal:

The WPCA discussed the number of permits they've had in the past month. The maintenance in the Public Works department cost are up mainly due to because having two people working instead of just one. They are keeping up on the maintenance of the pump stations.

Attorney Joe Ryan discussed the two assessment appeals that he had been working on. The owners of Somers Road parcel #083-003-000 had agreed to the 2% annual appreciation with the stipulation the Benefit Assessment will not be due until it is developed.

MOTION (KOEHLER) SECONDED (KIESSLING) TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN THE AGREEMENT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The airport property was offered the same deal; however, they were contesting the 2% interest on the deferred amount. Attorney Joe Ryan was given consensus from the Authority that they were on in a position to grant this type of concession.

2. Review Active Bonds: The WPCA will look at the Crystal Ridge bond deduction at the next meeting. Jim Thompson will review the list of bonds for the next meeting.

3. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes-May 19, 2009 and July 21, 2009.

MOTION (KOEHLER) SECONDED (KIESSLING) TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 19, 2009 AND JULY 21, 2009 MEETINGS AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

VII. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION (KOEHLER) SECONDED (KIESSLING) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:32 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessica Cosman

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
ELLINGTON WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY
PROPOSED SEWER USER CHARGE

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to Connecticut General Statute 7-255, that the Ellington Water Pollution Control Authority will hold a Public Hearing on August 18, 2009, at 7:00 p.m., in the Ellington Town Annex, 57 Main St., Ellington, Connecticut, for the purpose of hearing comments by property owners concerning the proposed sewer user charges to be assessed upon owners permitted to connect to the sewer system. At the hearing, the owner of each property against which charges are to be levied, shall have the opportunity to be heard. All charges shall be in accordance with the Sewer Use Charge System.

Hockanum Sewer System - Proposed sewer use fee \$205

Crystal Lake Sewer System - Proposed sewer use fee \$255

Said charge covers the use period of April 1, 2008 through September 31, 2009.

Peter R. Williams, Administrator
Water Pollution Control Authority

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